

Arizona Supreme Court Arizona Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Program

Volunteer Application

This court complies with the appropriate requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act. If assistance is required to complete this application due to a disability, please call 1-800-732-8193 or 602-542-9545 (TDD).

Please type or print clearly Personal Last Name _____ Middle Name _____ Information AKA / Alias ______ Social Security Number _____ Address City State Zip Code Home Telephone Fax E-Mail Address Can we distribute your name, address, and telephone to other county volunteers? 'Yes' No Are you a legal resident of the United States? "Yes "No Business Name **Employment** Address _____ City ____ State ____ Zip Code Telephone ______Fax _____Hours _____Work/Week ___ Days Off Position Title Duties (Information is required for fingerprinting) **Background** Date of Birth (Month / Day / Year) ______ ' Male ' Female Investigation Place of Birth (City / State / County) ______Height ____ Weight _____Eye Color _____ Hair Color ____ Have you ever been convicted of any crime in this state or any jurisdiction? Yes 'No If yes, please explain _____ Do you have any criminal charges pending at present? 'Yes 'No If yes, please explain Do you have access to a car? Yes 'No Vehicle Information Drivers License Number State in which drivers license is issued Name of Insurance Carrier

References	(Please list three non-relative persons)						
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Statistical Information (Optional)

We have a program of applicant information research. The information you provide will assist the Arizona CASA Program in evaluating recruitment and selection procedures. Information provided below will not be used in any way to affect the application process, rating, or employment, nor will it be supplied to any hiring authority.

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Statistical Information						

Pre-screening Criteria

The screening and selection process for the Arizona Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Program is thorough and comprehensive. Because the Arizona CASA Program must ensure the safety of children, CASA volunteers must be of the highest integrity and above reproach. Personal behaviors which are in conflict with the laws or the policies of the program will result in an applicant being disqualified for consideration. Other areas which are seen to be in conflict with the philosophy of the program and laws of the state will be carefully reviewed at the time of processing. Service as a CASA volunteer is by grace and not by right.

Grounds for Denial/Certification of the applicant will occur when one of the following statements is true:

The county coordinator shall deny certification if, after ninety (90) days from the application date, any of the following are true:

- 1. The applicant has not completed any aspect of the application process.
- 2. The applicant has not been fingerprinted and the county coordinator has not received the criminal background analysis.
- 3. The applicant has not completed the training requirements.
- 4. The applicant materially misrepresented facts or committed fraud in the application process.
- 5. The applicant has been convicted of any of the following felony offenses listed in A.R.S. § 8-322(L) (1-23) as an adult:
 - Sexual abuse of a minor
 - Incest
 - 1st or 2nd degree murder
 - Kidnaping
 - Arson
 - Sexual assault
 - Sexual exploitation of a minor
 - Contributing to the delinquency of a minor
 - Commercial sexual exploitation of a minor
 - Felony offenses involving sale, distribution or transportation of, offer to sell, transport or distribute or conspiracy to sell, transport or distribute marijuana, dangerous or narcotic drugs
 - Felony offenses involving the possession or use of marijuana, dangerous drugs, or narcotic drugs
 - Burglary
 - Aggravated or armed robbery
 - Robbery
 - A dangerous crime against children as defined in A.R.S. § 13-604.01
 - Child abuse
 - Assault or aggravated assault
 - Sexual conduct with a minor
 - Molestation of a minor
 - Manslaughter
 - Exploitation of minors involving drug offenses
 - Driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs as prescribed in A.R.S. § 28-1381 or aggravated driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor or drugs as prescribed in A.R.S. § 28-1383
 - Offenses involving domestic violence

- 6. The applicant has charges pending for a felony or misdemeanor involving a sex offense, child abuse or neglect, or related acts that would pose risks to children of the Arizona CASA Program and the program's credibility.
- 7. The applicant has been found to have been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving a sex offense, child abuse or neglect or related acts that would pose risks to children of the Arizona CASA Program and the program's credibility.

In program policy, additional personal behaviors require disqualification:

- 1. The applicant is currently awaiting trial for criminal offenses in this state or in another state or jurisdiction.
- 2. The applicant has been convicted of a misdemeanor offense other than minor traffic offenses as an adult and less than two (2) years have elapsed between the date of satisfaction of sentence; i.e., payment of fine or completion of probation.
- 3. The applicant has used any non-prescribed controlled substances and/or illicit drugs, including marijuana, within the past two (2) years.
- 4. The applicant is known to engage in behavior which is in conflict with the laws, philosophy or goals of the Arizona CASA Program, or which would tend to place the individual or program in a position of compromise, embarrassment, undue criticism, or loss of public credibility.
- 5. The applicant is the parent or guardian of a child currently adjudicated to be dependent.

The county coordinator may deny if one or more of the following is found:

- 1. The applicant has a record of any act constituting dishonesty or fraud;
- 2. The applicant has a record of conviction by final judgment of any felony;
- 3. The applicant has a record of conviction by final judgment of a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude; and.
- 4. The applicant has been found civilly liable in an action involving fraud, misrepresentation, material omission, misappropriation, or conversion.

Please sign and return this with the Volunteer Application for the Arizona CASA Program.

I have read and understand the disqualification criteria listed herein. I further understand there is no issue or circumstance addressed in this document that would cause me to be disqualified as an applicant for the Arizona CASA Program.

Applicant Signature	Date
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